BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF)	
MCIMETRO ACCESS TRANSMISSION)	CASE NO. MCM-T-18-01
SERVICES CORP FOR A SAFETY VALVE)	
WAIVER OF FCC THRESHOLD)	
REQUIREMENTS FOR NUMBERING)	ORDER NO. 34108
RESOURCES IN THE POCATELLO, IDAHO,)	
RATE CENTER)	

On June 21, 2018, MCImetro Access Transmission Services Corp. d/b/a Verizon Access Transmission Services ("MCImetro") filed a request with this Commission for a waiver of the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC") numbering resource guidelines following denial of its Application to Neustar, the North American Numbering Plan Administrator ("NANPA").

THE APPLICATION

On June 14, 2018, McImetro requested 1,000 additional numbers in the BOISIDMAXTX switch in the Pocatello rate center from the NANPA in order to satisfy a customer's request. McImetro specifically requested the thousand-block of 208-417-5, and confirmed it does not have the numbers to satisfy its customer's request.

MCImetro's Application was denied because it did not meet the "months to exhaust" criteria of six months. MCImetro asserts that the NANPA's denial impedes its ability to serve its customers within the State of Idaho. Carriers can appeal NANPA decisions of this nature to the appropriate state regulatory authority.¹

STAFF ANALYSIS

Staff reviewed the Company's request for the waiver of the "months to exhaust" threshold and believes the waiver request is necessary for the customer's proposed use. Therefore, Staff recommends that the waiver request for the sequential thousand-block be granted to MCImetro for its customer. Specifically, Staff recommends that the NPA NXX X (208-418-5) be released to MCImetro for its Pocatello rate center customer.

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¹ Number Optimization Order, CC Docket No. 99-200 and 96-98, FCC 00-104, rel. March 31, 2000; 47 C.F.R. § 52.15 (g)(4)(iv).

DISCUSSION

After reviewing MCImetro's waiver request and Staff's recommendation, the Commission finds that the request should be granted. The FCC has authorized the Idaho Commission to overturn the NANPA's denial of numbering request "based on [the Idaho Commission's] determination that the carrier has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available remedies." 47 C.F.R. § 52.15(g)(5). MCImetro has carried its burden.

We find MCImetro requires the requested 1000-number block to meet its customer's request, and has therefore demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources in the Pocatello rate center. Further, we find that assigning that block to MCImetro will not detrimentally affect number resources for the Pocatello rate center. In this regard, we note that the Idaho Commission may request proof that numbering resources have been activated and assignment of telephone numbers has commenced within six months of MCImetro receiving the numbering resources. If the Idaho Commission determines that the numbering resources have not been activated and assignment commenced within six months of receipt, the Commission may reclaim the numbering resources. 47 CFR § 52.15(i). Accordingly, we find it is reasonable to direct that the NANPA open a code and provide a new Local Routing Number for MCImetro's new switch at the Pocatello rate center as requested by MCImetro.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that MCImetro's request for a waiver of FCC threshold requirements for numbering resources in the Pocatello, Idaho rate center is granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the 1,000-block of numbers 208-418-5 be released to MCImetro to fulfill its customer's request in the Pocatello rate center.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that MCImetro must provide proof to the Idaho Commission within six months that the numbering resources assigned in this Order have been activated and assignment of telephone numbers has commenced.

THIS IS A FINAL ORDER. Any person interested in this Order may petition for reconsideration within twenty-one (21) days of the service date of this Order. Within seven (7) days after any person has petitioned for reconsideration, any other person may cross-petition for reconsideration. See *Idaho Code* § 61-626.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 2018. day of July, 2018.

ERIC ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Diane M. Hanian **Commission Secretary**

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